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Former President Donald Trump speaks at an election rally in Latrobe, Pa., Saturday, Nov. 5, 2022. (AP Photo/Jacqueline Larma)

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# GOP predicts midterm wins; Biden warns of democracy threats

By **WILL WEISSERT**

**Associated Press**

**WASHINGTON (AP)** — Republicans are eyeing major gains in Tuesday's elections and appealing to supporters over the final weekend of the 2022 campaign to punish Democrats for high inflation and crime rates that have risen in parts of the country. Top Democrats, including President Joe Biden and his party's two most recent White House predecessors, said the prospect of GOP victories could undermine the very future of American democracy. More than 39 million people have already voted in an election that will decide control of Congress and key governorships. Biden was campaigning in sub-

urban New York on Sunday evening, a day after former Presidents Barack Obama and Bill Clinton made closing cases to voters. Rep. Sean Patrick Maloney, head of the Democrats' House campaign arm, is in a tough contest for his seat north of New York City. But he insisted Sunday that Democrats are "going to do better than people think on Tuesday," adding that his party is "not perfect" but "we are responsible adults who believe in this democracy." "I think this race is razor-close and I think everybody who cares about the extremism in this 'MAGA' movement — the racism, the anti-Semitism, the violence — needs to get out and vote and that's not just

Democrats, it's independents and fair-minded Republicans," Maloney told NBC's "Meet the Press," referring to Trump's "Make America Great Again" slogan. Florida Sen. Rick Scott, who heads the Republicans' Senate campaign arm, countered: "We have great candidates. People are showing up to vote." "There's no energy on the Democrat side," he said on NBC. "This election is about the Biden agenda." Former President Donald Trump, who planned a Miami rally later Sunday, hopes a strong GOP showing on Election Day will generate momentum for the 2024 run that he is expected to launch in the days or weeks after polls close. Scott will be at that



**President Joe Biden and former President Barack Obama shake hands at a campaign rally for Pennsylvania's Democratic gubernatorial candidate Josh Shapiro and Democratic Senate candidate Lt. Gov. John Fetterman, Saturday, Nov. 5, 2022, in Philadelphia.**

(AP Photo/Patrick Semansky)

rally. Not invited, though, is Florida's Republican governor, Ron DeSantis, who is running for reelection against Democrat Charlie Crist and is widely considered Trump's most formidable challenger if he also were to get into the White House race. In Pennsylvania on Saturday night, Trump said he hoped the GOP would have "an historic victory" in the midterms. But DeSantis also was on his mind — he referred to the governor as "Ron DeSanctimonious." It's a rivalry that's been simmering for more than a year as DeSantis has taken increasingly bold steps to boost his national profile and build a deep fundraising network. DeSantis, who became a popular national figure among conservatives during the pandemic as he pushed back on COVID-19 restrictions, shares Trump's pugilistic instincts. By most measures, Trump remains easily the most popular figure in the Republican Party. But many Trump supporters are eager for the prospect that DeSantis might run, seeing him as a natural successor to Trump, without Trump's considerable political negatives. Trump has privately groused about DeSantis for failing to say definitively that he will sit out the race. When Joe O'Dea, the GOP candidate for Senate in Colorado, said he would prefer someone other than Trump as the 2024 nominee

and cited DeSantis and others, Trump slammed O'Dea on social media: "MAGA doesn't Vote for stupid people with big mouths," Trump said. Days later, DeSantis endorsed O'Dea, who had twice voted for Trump. For national Democrats, the focus is on the fate of their narrow control of the House and Senate. Voters may rebuke the party controlling the White House and Congress amid surging inflation, concerns about crime and pessimism about the direction of the country. History suggests the party in power will suffer significant losses in the midterms. First lady Jill Biden attended church services while campaigning for Democrats in Houston. Vice President Kamala Harris, campaigning in Chicago, said, "These attacks on our democracy will not only directly impact the people around our country, but arguably around the world." She said America's democracy "will only be as strong as our willingness to fight for it and that's why we're all here today," adding, "because we are prepared to fight for it." Trump has long falsely claimed he lost the 2020 election only because Democrats cheated and has even begun raising the possibility of election fraud this year. Federal intelligence agencies are warning of the possibility of political violence from far-right extremists. □

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## Pelosi makes first public remarks since husband's assault

By Olga R. Rodriguez

and Lisa Mascaro

Associated Press

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) —

House Speaker Nancy Pelosi, in her first public appearance since the brutal attack on her husband, rallied grassroots activists Friday, saying the mid-term elections for control of Congress are a fight for democracy and “very winnable.”

Her voice cracked at times as she said of her husband's recovery, “It's going to be a long haul.”

Pelosi thanked those on a video call for the outpouring of support for Paul Pelosi, 82, who suffered a fractured skull and other injuries after an intruder broke into their San Francisco home late last week and bludgeoned him with a hammer in what authorities say was an intentional and political attack.

The Democratic leader spoke in the early morning from California, where her husband was released from the hospital late Thursday, her voice breaking throughout the lengthy but upbeat address.

The speaker's comments come as Democrats are facing a stiff fight for control of Congress in the mid-term elections Tuesday, as energized Republicans are working to flip the House and Senate and end Democratic hold on Washing-



House Speaker Nancy Pelosi is escorted to a vehicle outside of her home in San Francisco, Friday, Nov. 4, 2022.

(AP Photo/Jeff Chiu)

ton.

David DePape, 42, is being held without bail on state charges of attempted murder, burglary and elder abuse. DePape's public defender, Adam Lipson, entered a not guilty plea on his behalf earlier this week and has pledged to vigorously defend him. Lipson declined to comment Friday.

At a hearing Friday, a San Francisco judge disclosed that she had worked with Speaker Pelosi's daughter in the 1990s, giving prosecutors and the public defender's office the opportunity to object to her role

in the case.

Judge Loretta “Lori” Giorgi said she and Christine Pelosi had worked together in the San Francisco city attorney's office in the 1990s but had not interacted in years. Christine is one of the Pelosis' five adult children and while she has never held elected office, she's considered to be a potential successor when Pelosi retires from her House seat. In court filings released earlier this week, officials said DePape broke into the home, carrying zip ties, tape and a rope in a backpack. He woke up Paul Pelosi and demanded to talk

to “Nancy,” who was out of town. Two officers who raced to the home after Paul Pelosi's 911 call witnessed DePape hit him in the head with the hammer. No one objected during Friday's hearing to Giorgi's ties to the Pelosi family but either side could in the future and San Francisco District Attorney Brooke Jenkins said the case might be heard by another judge regardless. The public defender's office did not immediately have a comment.

Giorgi worked in the city attorney's office from 1985 to 2006, when she was ap-

pointed to the bench. She rose to the rank of deputy city attorney and was the office's public integrity chief.

Christine Pelosi attended Friday's hearing but seemed to leave through a back door in order to avoid media waiting in the hallway. She entered the courtroom right before the proceeding started and sat in the front row away from reporters.

Christine Pelosi is active in California and national Democratic politics. In 2019, she released a book about her mother titled “The Nancy Pelosi Way.” In 2017, as chair of the California Democratic Party's women's caucus, she was actively involved in the #MeToo movement as it took shape in the state capital.

The city attorney's office did not immediately respond to a request for details of Giorgi and Christine Pelosi's employment.

DePape, who is Canadian, overstayed his authorized entry to the U.S. more than two decades ago. He should have been blocked from getting back into the country when he returned a few times over the years, according to a U.S. official who spoke to The Associated Press on the condition of anonymity because they were not authorized to discuss the matter. □

## Iowa teen who killed rapist escapes from probation center

Associated Press

DES MOINES, Iowa (AP)

— Iowa authorities say an 18-year-old sex trafficking victim who pleaded guilty to killing a man she said raped her escaped from a women's center where she was serving her probation sentence.

Pieper Lewis was seen walking out of the building at the Fresh Start Women's Center in Des Moines shortly after 6:15 a.m. Friday, and at some point that day her GPS monitor was cut off, according to a probation violation report.

A warrant was issued for Lewis' arrest and the probation report asked for her deferred judgment to be revoked and have her original sentence imposed, KCCI reported. She could face up to 20 years in prison.

Prosecutors had called the probation sentence she was given in September merciful for a teen who endured horrible abuse, although some questioned the \$150,000 restitution she was ordered to pay. A GoFundMe campaign raised over \$560,000 to cover the

restitution and pay for her other needs.

Polk County Judge David Porter told Lewis that her probation sentence “was the second chance you asked for. You don't get a third,” the Des Moines Register reported.

If Lewis had successfully completed five years of closely supervised probation her prison sentence would have been expunged.

Lewis pleaded guilty last year to involuntary manslaughter and willful injury in the June 2020 kill-



Pieper Lewis gives her allocution during a sentencing hearing, Tuesday, Sept. 13, 2022, in Des Moines, Iowa. Iowa authorities say Lewis, an 18-year-old sex trafficking victim who pleaded guilty to killing a man she said raped her escaped from a women's center where she was serving her probation sentence. (Zach Boyden-Holmes/The Des Moines Register via AP, File)

ing of 37-year-old Zachary Brooks, a married father of two. Lewis was 15 when she

stabbed Brooks more than 30 times in a Des Moines apartment. □



# Deadly tornadoes hit Texas and Oklahoma, flatten buildings

By Jake Bleiberg and Ken Miller

Associated Press

**IDABEL, Okla. (AP)** — Residents in southeastern Oklahoma and northeastern Texas began assessing weather damage Saturday, working to recover and thankful to have survived after a storm stretching from Dallas to northwest Arkansas spawned tornadoes and produced flash flooding, killing at least two people, injuring others and leaving homes and buildings in ruins.

Oklahoma Gov. Kevin Stitt went to the town of Idabel to see the damage. He said on social media that all the homes had been searched and a 90-year-old man was killed. Keli Cain, spokesperson for the state's Department of Emergency Management, said the man's body was found at his home in the Pickens area of McCurtain County, about 36 miles (58 kilometers) north of Idabel.

Morris County, Texas, Judge Doug Reeder said in a social media post that one person died as a result of a tornado in the far northeastern Texas County, offering no other details.

Reeder and other county officials did not immediately return phone calls for additional comment.

The Oklahoma Highway Patrol also reported a 6-year-old girl drowned and a 43-year-old man was missing after their vehicle was swept by water off a bridge near Stilwell, about 135 miles (217 kilometers) north of Idabel. The drowning has not been officially attributed to the storm and will be investigated by the medical examiner, Cain said.

Saturday afternoon Stitt declared a state of emergency for McCurtain County, where Idabel is located, and neighboring Bryan, Choctaw and LeFlore counties.

The declaration is a step in qualifying for federal assistance and funding and clears the way for state agencies to make disaster-recovery-related purchases without limits on bidding re-



**Danny Palmer, a deacon at Trinity Baptist Church, walks across the destroyed church's sanctuary Saturday, Nov. 5, 2022, while looking for items to salvage after a tornado hit Idabel, Okla.**

(AP Photo/LM Otero)

quirements.

Texas Gov. Greg Abbott said damage assessments and recovery efforts are under way in northeast Texas and encouraged residents to report damage to the Texas Division of Emergency Management.

"I have deployed all available resources to help respond and recover," Abbott said in a statement. "I thank all of our hardworking state and local emergency management personnel for their swift response."

National Weather Service meteorologist Robert Darby in Tulsa said the far-reaching storm produced heavy rain in the Stilwell area at the time, around 4 inches (10.16 centimeters). Idabel, a rural town of about 7,000 at the foothills of the Ouachita Mountains, saw extensive damage, Cain said. "There are well over 100 homes and businesses damaged from minor damage to totally destroyed," Cain said.

Trinity Baptist Church in Idabel was preparing to complete a new building when the storm ripped apart their sanctuary and flattened the shell of the new struc-

ture next door, according to Pastor Don Myer.

The 250-member congregation was to vote after the Sunday service on whether to move ahead with the final work to complete the building, Myer told The Associated Press.

"But we didn't get to that. Every vote counts and we had one vote trump us all," Myer, 67, said. "We were right on the verge of that. That's how close we were." Myer said the congregation is going to pray on what happened, see how much their insurance covers and work to rebuild. On Saturday morning, a few members of the church took an American flag that had been blown over in the storm and stood it upright amid the wreckage of the original church building.

Shelbie Villalpando, 27, of Powderly, Texas, said she was eating dinner with her family Friday when tornado sirens prompted them to congregate first in their rented home's hallways, then with her children, aged 5, 10 and 14, in the bathtub.

"Within two minutes of getting them in the bathtub,

we had to lay over the kids because everything started going crazy," Villalpando said.

"I've never been so terrified," she said. "I could hear glass breaking and things shattering around, but whenever I got out of the bathroom, my heart and my stomach sank because I have kids and it could have been much worse. ... What if our bathroom had caved in just like everything else? We wouldn't be here."

Terimaine Davis and his son were huddled in the bathtub until just before the tornado barreled through Friday, reducing their home in Powderly to a roofless, sagging heap.

"We left like five minutes before the tornado actually hit," Davis, 33, told The Associated Press. "Me and my son were in the house in the tub and that was about the only thing left standing."

In their driveway Saturday morning, a child's car seat leaned against a dented, grey Chevrolet sedan with several windows blown out. Around back, his wife, Lori Davis, handed Terimaine a

basket of toiletries from inside the wreckage of their house.

The couple and the three kids who live with them did not have renter's insurance, Lori Davis said, and none of their furniture survived. "We're going to have to start from scratch," she said.

They hope to stay with family until they can find a place to live.

"The next few days look like rough times," Terimaine Davis said.

Judge Brandon Bell, the highest elected official in Lamar County where Powderly is located, declared a disaster in that area. Bell's declaration said at least two dozen people were injured across the county.

Powderly is about 45 miles (72 kilometers) west of Idabel and about 120 miles (193 kilometers) northeast of Dallas and both are near the Texas-Oklahoma border.

The National Weather Service in Fort Worth confirmed three tornadoes - in Lamar, Henderson and Hopkins counties - Friday night as a line of storms dropped rain and sporadic hail on the Dallas-Fort Worth area and continued to push eastward.

The weather service's office in Shreveport, Louisiana, said it was assessing the damage in Oklahoma. Weather service meteorologist Bianca Garcia in Fort Worth said while peak severe weather season typically is in the spring, tornadoes occasionally develop in October, November, December and even January. "It's not very common," Garcia said, "but it does happen across our region." □





## Tanzania: Small plane crashes into Lake Victoria, 19 dead

**NAIROBI, Kenya (AP) — A small passenger plane crashed Sunday morning into Lake Victoria on approach to an airport in Tanzania, and the country's prime minister says 19 people on board were killed.**

Prime Minister Kassim Majaliwa gave the new death toll, up from three. Earlier, local authorities said 26 of those on the Precision Air flight from the coastal city of Dar es Salaam were rescued and taken to a hospital. It was not clear if any of those who were rescued died at the hospital.

Photos showed the plane,

which was headed to Bukoba Airport, mostly submerged in the lake. Precision Air is a Tanzanian airline company.

"We have managed to save quite a number of people," Kagera province police commander William Mwampaghale told journalists. "When the aircraft was about 100 meters (328 feet) midair, it encountered problems and bad weather. It was raining and the plane plunged into the water," he said.

Mwampaghale said the rescue efforts were continuing. □



Rescuers in boats are seen around the tail fin of a crashed Precision Air passenger aircraft on the shores of Lake Victoria in Bukoba, in western Tanzania Sunday, Nov. 6, 2022. The small passenger plane crashed Sunday morning into Lake Victoria near Bukoba airport and the company Precision Air said the flight was coming from the coastal city of Dar es Salaam, though it was not immediately clear how many people were on board.

Associated Press

## Kyiv prepares for a winter with no heat, water or power



Vadym Zherdetsky stands in the remains of his house destroyed by fighting, in the village of Moshun, outside Kyiv, Ukraine, Friday, Nov. 4, 2022. When Russia invaded Ukraine in February, two missiles struck Zherdetsky's home in the tiny village of Moschun on the outskirts of the capital, Kyiv, ripping the roof off and nearly killing four of his family members.

Associated press

By **SAM MEDNICK**  
Associated Press

**KYIV, Ukraine (AP) —** The mayor of Kyiv, Ukraine's capital, is warning residents that they must prepare for the worst this winter if Russia keeps striking the country's energy infrastructure — and that means having no electricity, water or heat in the freezing cold cannot be ruled out.

Russia has focused on striking Ukraine's energy infrastructure over the last month, causing power shortages and rolling outages across the country. Kyiv was scheduled to have hourly rotating blackouts Sunday in parts of the city and the surrounding region. Rolling blackouts also were planned in the nearby Chernihiv, Cherkasy, Zhy-

tomyr, Sumy, Kharkiv and Poltava regions, Ukraine's state-owned energy operator, Ukrenergo, said.

Kyiv plans to deploy about a 1,000 heating points, but noted that this may not be enough for a city of 3 million people.

As Russia intensifies its attacks on the capital, Ukrainian forces are pushing forward in the south. Residents of Ukraine's Russian-occupied city of Kherson received warning messages on their phones urging them to evacuate as soon as possible, Ukraine's military said Sunday. Russian soldiers warned civilians that Ukraine's army was preparing for a massive attack and told people to leave for the city's right bank immediately.

Russian forces are preparing for a Ukrainian counter-offensive to seize back the southern city of Kherson, which was captured during the early days of the invasion. In September, Russia illegally annexed Kherson as well as three other regions of Ukraine and subsequently declared martial law in the four provinces.

The Kremlin-installed administration in Kherson already has moved tens of thousands of civilians out of the city.

Russia has been "occupying and evacuating" Kherson simultaneously, trying to convince Ukrainians that they're leaving when in fact they're digging in, Nataliya Humenyuk, a spokeswoman for Ukraine's Southern Forces, told state television. Russian forces are also digging in in a fiercely contested region in the east, worsening the already tough conditions for residents and the defending Ukrainian army following Moscow's illegal annexation and declaration of martial law in Donetsk province.

The attacks have almost completely destroyed the power plants that serve the city of Bakhmut and the nearby town of Soudar, said Pavlo Kyrilenko, the region's Ukrainian governor, said. Shelling killed one civilian and wounded three, he reported late Saturday.

Moscow-backed separat-

ists have controlled part of Donetsk for nearly eight years before Russia invaded Ukraine in late February. Protecting the separatists' self-proclaimed republic there was one of Russian President Vladimir Putin's justifications for the invasion, and his troops have spent months trying to capture the entire province.

While Russia's "greatest brutality" was focused in the Donetsk region, "constant fighting" continued elsewhere along the front line that stretches more than 1,000 kilometers (620 miles), Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelenskyy said in his nightly video address.

Between Saturday and Sunday, Russia's launched four missiles and 19 airstrikes hitting more than 35 villages in nine regions, from Chernihiv and Kharkiv in the northeast to Kherson and Mykolaiv in the south, according to the president's office. The strikes killed two people and wounded six, the office said.

In the Donetsk city of Bakhmut, 15,000 remaining residents were living under daily shelling and without water or power, according to local media. The city has been under attack for months, but the bombardment picked up after Russian forces experienced setbacks during Ukrainian counteroffensives in the Kharkiv and Kherson regions. □

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# UN weather report: Climate woes bad and getting worse faster

By **SETH BORENSTEIN**

AP Science Writer

**SHARM EL-SHEIKH, Egypt (AP)** — Earth's warming weather and rising seas are getting worse and doing so faster than before, the World Meteorological Organization warned Sunday in a somber note as world leaders started gathering for international climate negotiations.

"The latest State of the Global Climate report is a chronicle of climate chaos," United Nations Secretary-General Antonio Guterres said. "We must answer the planet's distress signal with action -- ambitious, credible climate action."

In its annual state of the climate report, the United Nations' weather agency said that sea level rise in the past decade was double what it was in the 1990s and since January 2020 has jumped at a higher rate than that. Since the decade began, seas are rising at 5 millimeters a year (.2 inches) compared to 2.1 millimeters (.08 inches) in the 1990s.

The last eight years have been the warmest on record, the WMO said in a report that didn't break new ground but was a collection of recent weather trends, data and impacts in one central place.



**Women carry belongings salvaged from their flooded home after monsoon rains, in the Qambar Shahdadhkot district of Sindh Province, of Pakistan, Sept. 6, 2022. Earth's warming weather and rising seas are getting worse and doing so faster than before, the World Meteorological Organization warned Sunday, Nov. 6, 2022, in a somber note as world leaders started gathering for international climate negotiations in the Egyptian resort of Sharm el-Sheikh.**

"The melting (of ice) game we have lost and also the sea level rate," WMO chief Petteri Taalas told The Associated Press. "There are no positive indicators so far." The only reason that the globe hasn't broken annual temperature records in the past few years is a rare three-year La Niña weather phenomenon, he said. The data on sea level and average temperatures are nothing compared to how climate change has hit

people in extreme weather. The report highlights the summer's incredible flood in Pakistan that killed more than 1,700 people and displaced 7.9 million, a crippling four-year drought in East Africa that has more than 18 million hungry, the Yangtze River drying to its lowest level in August, and record heat-waves broiling people in Europe and China.

"This latest report from the World Meteorological Or-

ganization reads like a lab report for a critically ill patient, but in this case the patient is Earth," said climate scientist Jennifer Francis of the Woodwell Climate Research Center in Cape Cod, who wasn't part of the report. Levels of heat-trapping carbon dioxide, methane and nitrous oxide all reached record high levels, with potent methane increasing at a record pace, the report said. That means

more than just warming temperatures on land. Ice, both Greenland's ice sheet and the world's glaciers, are shrinking precipitously, the report said. For the 26th year in a row, Greenland lost ice when all types of ice are factored in. The volume of glacier snow in Switzerland dropped by more than one-third from 2001 to 2022, the report said.

But 90% of the heat trapped on Earth goes into the ocean and the upper 2000 meters (6561 feet) of the ocean is getting warmer faster. The rate of warming the last 15 years is 67% faster than since 1971, the report said.

That ocean heat "will continue to warm in the future -- a change which is irreversible on centennial to millennial time scales," the report said.

Outside experts weren't surprised by the report and said no one should be.

"What climate scientists have warned about for decades is upon us. And will continue to worsen without action," said University of Georgia meteorology professor Marshall Shepherd. "Two things must go away: Climate delayism and speaking about climate change impacts in the future tense. It's here." □

## Monitors say 10 killed in Syria shelling of tent settlements



**Doctors treat a child wounded in shelling at a hospital in the town of Idlib, Syria, Sunday, Nov. 6, 2022. Syrian government forces shelled tent settlements housing families displaced by the country's conflict in the rebel-held northwest early Sunday, killing at least six people and wounding dozens, opposition war monitors and first responders said.**

(AP Photo/Ghaith Alsayed)

(AP) — Syrian government forces shelled tent settlements housing families displaced by the country's conflict in the rebel-held northwest early Sunday, kill-

ing at least 10 people and wounding dozens, opposition war monitors and first responders said.

The shelling was the latest violation of a truce

reached between Russia and Turkey in March 2020 that ended a Russian-backed government offensive on Idlib province. Idlib is the last major rebel-held stronghold in Syria.

The truce has been repeatedly violated over the past two years killing and wounding scores of people. Three top United Nations officials dealing with the Syrian crisis — Muhanad Hadi, Ayman Gharaibeh and Sudipto Mukerjee — said in a joint statement Sunday that they are "deeply concerned by today's escalation of hostilities" in Idlib.

The statement noted that a 4-month-old baby was reportedly among those killed by the strikes. In addition to those killed and

wounded, it said, some 400 people had been displaced.

The Britain-based Syrian Observatory for Human Rights, an opposition war monitor, reported that government forces fired about 30 rockets toward rebel-held areas Sunday morning. Those areas included the Maram camp and other camps just northwest of the provincial capital of Idlib, where nine were killed and 77 wounded.

Another man was killed and several wounded in the southern countryside of Idlib while picking olives, the observatory reported. One of the men killed in Sunday's strikes was a refugee who had been deported by Turkish authorities two

months ago, the observatory said. A Human Rights Watch report released last month found that Turkey had forcibly returned hundreds of Syrian refugees over a six-month period. Rebel factions responded by targeting government positions with artillery and missiles in the area of Saraqib, east of Idlib, and the al-Ghab plain, the observatory reported.

The opposition's Syrian Civil Defense, also known as White Helmets, reported that nine people were killed, including two children and a woman, and about 70 injured in shelling targeting at least six camps west of the capital. It said the dead included four children and one woman. □



## Presentation of two books regarding the history of families in the Caribbean

**ORANJESTAD – Philip Timothy Arnell is presenting two books that he wrote about the history of his family in the Caribbean. The presentation took place at the Department Arubiana/Caribiana of the National Library of Aruba on Wednesday the 2nd of November.**

Philip Timothy Arnell wrote two books, titled 'Fortunate Member of a Caribbean Diaspora' and 'Still Bajan After All These Years'. The first book is about the history of families from Sint Maarten and Saint Martin and Anguilla with influence of Aruba going back to the

1600s. The second book is about the history of families from Barbados that goes back to the year 1582. Both books highlight the lines of lineage and progression together with interesting stories. Both books have special stories which will incite inter-

est from each reader.

Philip Timothy Arnell was born in Queens, New York on the 3rd of October 1968 from parents with Caribbean ancestry. Philip is a Caribbean-American and has both American and French Nationality. He is married



to his wife Paula, and they have three children. □

## Potential for collaboration between neighboring islands in the Caribbean to improve food security

**ORANJESTAD – Aruba hosted the Comprehensive Disaster Risk Management and Financial Resilience Regional Workshop for Overseas Countries and Territories in the Caribbean. This is a workshop about resiliency of the Caribbean islands.**

The goal to create a resilient Aruba with food security is a key component of this, and it also came forward in a report by the World Bank. Covid-19 taught us that Aruba cannot remain dependent on a single economic pillar, and it cannot remain dependent on imports. The opportunity to expand the Primary Sector is on that Aruba cannot miss.

Even though Aruba is lucky to evade most hurricanes, it has many other challenges similar to the



rest of the Caribbean islands. Aruba is the most arid island in the region, which might be good for our tourism, but is a big challenge for our traditional agriculture. For this reason, farmers are inno-

vating in the direction of hydroponics and other technological methods that are more efficient.

There is a spark of interest in the community for agriculture, but this needs to

be further motivated and facilitated, and according to a press release, the government of Aruba is completely prepared to do this. The focus needs to be on education and collaboration. Education can foster knowledge and raise a new generation that is connected to planting and feeding. This is the reason why the government is stimulating school projects in this area

recently. The importance of family agriculture cannot be left out, a beautiful activity for families which at the same time can become an additional source of income, even for hobbyists.

There is collaboration between islands in the Kingdom of the Netherlands to learn from each other and elevate their level of food safety, and expand the domestic market. It is time to consider also the potential for collaboration between neighboring islands in the Caribbean, not only Dutch islands, in order to guarantee food safety as soon as possible.

Minister of Nature, Ursell Arends congratulated Santa Rosa – Department of Agriculture and Fishing – for their hard work facilitating this event, where local products prepared and cooked by locals were exhibited and presented in an extraordinary way to visitors from the other Caribbean islands. □







## Nikkei Sushi Bar, not just a sushi bar



**Nikkei is a name commonly used in Japan to refer to people of Japanese ancestry that are living abroad as citizens of other countries. It refers to the mix of cuisine and culture of the Japanese migrants in Peru. In time, successive generations created the cuisine that is generally known as Nikkei.**

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# E. Biemans, G.M. Case and Bucuti & Tara Protect Aruba's Nature by Founding a Nature Preservation Park in Noord

## The founders are giving back to Aruba in honor of Bucuti & Tara's 35th anniversary

**EAGLE BEACH, Aruba – November 7, 2022** – Undeveloped green space in Noord is becoming harder to find, but this will soon change thanks to Ewald Biemans, Grete Marie (Ree) Case, and Bucuti and Tara, who together sponsored and donated approximately 12 hectares (30 acres) of land as a nature preserve for the public and future generations to enjoy.

### Preserving Aruba for Aruba

The stretch of land is a desirable place for development with its convenient location to the high-rise hotels. As the last remaining undeveloped private land in Noord, the new nature preserve is located across from Imeldahof and borders the Church of Noord all the way to the Washington School. This land holds tremendous value and would be desirable for tourism-related businesses, including new accommodations or restaurants. Instead of further crowding and overdeveloping the area, Biemans, Case, and Bucuti & Tara sponsored and donated this natural countryside so it will be protected from further development forever and the people of Aruba can continue to enjoy it.

### Bucuti & Tara Nature Preserve

The Bucuti & Tara Nature Preserve is protected land. Motorized vehicles of any type are prohibited. The preserve is a typical Aruban ecosystem with any number of the 280 bird species, including Wara Wara, Shocos, and Prikichis, calling Aruba home and all that thrive in its native flora and fauna. This gifted land will eventually offer residents and visitors a quiet, natural place to walk, jog or sit amongst Aruba's indigenous trees, plant life, and wildlife.

The timing coincides with the 35th anniversary this year of Biemans' Bucuti & Tara Beach Resort on Eagle Beach. To commemorate the milestone anniversary, the resort has been reflecting on its cherished history with its island home. Biemans recalls how undeveloped the



island was 60 years ago and with the subsequent booms of tourism, his commitment to protecting Aruba's natural beauty and resources spans Bucuti & Tara Beach Resort, the most eco-certified hotel in the Caribbean, and far beyond the hotel.

Biemans' commitment to protecting Aruba's natural beauty can be evidenced over the years. He established the Aruba Hotel and Tourism Environmental Committee and began the Sponsor-a-Mile program 30 years ago. He continues to introduce eco-certification programs to help colleague hotels in Aruba begin their sustainability journeys. Particularly treasured initiatives include teaching entrepreneurship to young students in the local school system, giving guest lectures at the University, and welcoming researchers and pupils for hotel sustainability tours. Encouraging guests to take nature tours is core to the Bucuti & Tara experience. In 2019, the resort introduced Lanta y Planta. As the new nature preserve is dedicated, Bucuti & Tara's commitment to the community and the preservation of Aruba over 35 years continues with this forthcoming reforestation dedication of 35 indigenous trees.

"As a long practitioner of sustainability and the Caribbean's first and only certified carbon-neutral hotel, now our work will begin to

reforest the plots with indigenous trees and build natural pathways. In the future, Aruba's population will be able to enjoy The Bucuti & Tara Nature Preservation Foundation, to be known as The Bucuti Tara - GMC Park," Ewald Biemans, Owner/CEO of Bucuti & Tara Beach Resort, explains. "Bucuti & Tara's milestone anniversary gives us an opportunity to recognize 35 years of extremely positive impact to Aruba's people and economy, and we wish to continue that by preserving Aruba's beautiful and precious nature," says Ewald Biemans, Owner/CEO of Bucuti & Tara Beach Resort.

To learn more, visit [Bucuti.com](https://www.bucuti.com).

Photo credit: Bucuti & Tara Beach Resort, Aruba.

### About Bucuti & Tara Beach Resort

Declared the first CarbonNeutral®/net zero hotel in the Caribbean in August 2018, Bucuti & Tara Beach Resort is one of the Top 10 Hotels for Romance in the World (fourth straight year), No. 1 Hotel for Romance in the Caribbean (seventh straight year) and No. 3 Hotel for Service in the Caribbean. Aruba's premier adults-only boutique resort is led by celebrated hotelier and environmentalist, Ewald Biemans, named by Caribbean Journal as the 2017 Caribbean Hotelier of the Year. The resort is nestled on the powdery white sands of Eagle Beach, home to protected sea turtles and named one of the "Dream Beaches of the World."

Now home to the Caribbean's Safest, Healthiest Vacation Experience thanks to its physician-developed COVID-19 safety protocols and Aruba's Health & Happiness Code seal, Bucuti has 104 well-appointed guestrooms, suites and penthouses. It offers sunbeds and shade for every guest; freshwater infinity pool; spa; WiFi; and complimentary iPad with Skype for use during stay. Award-winning healthy dining is enjoyed at oceanfront Elements, Tara Lounge and private beach dining. Reserved exclusively for guests and their friends, the newly renovated open-air SandBar offers top-shelf cocktails and live music daily along with the Caribbean's first Healthy Hour. The resort is TAG Approved® as a LGBTQ-friendly hotel. Bucuti, a worldwide sustainable tourism leader, holds eco-certifications of LEED Gold, Green Globe Platinum and Travelife Gold and was named the World's Most Sustainable Hotel/Resort in 2016 by Green Globe. □







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## Spectacular opening night for nightclub HIDDEN

Some will say it's a hidden gem, others will keep the location secret. Fact is, Aruba is since Friday, November 4th a high-standard nightclub richer. HIDDEN is a new concept that in one night already has set its mark on Aruba's nightlife.



For weeks there was quite a buzz about HIDDEN. No one really knew what it was about and what to expect. Closer to the openings night it became clear that it is a nightclub with an international flair. As the name suggests, the location was secretive till the last moment when merely land coordinates were shared in a personal email invitation that was sent to the ones who signed up for opening night on their website (hiddenaruba.com). HIDDEN Nightclub is located in the parking alley of Arawak Garden in Palm Beach, and the location underwent a stunning transformation. At the entrance, there was a line for partygoers with a personal invitation and a line for spon-

taneous walk-in guests. Security was tight, as you might expect from a prestigious nightclub, wristbands were fitted and a welcome glass of Moët et Chandon champagne handed to all visitors. The entrance is nothing more than spectacular with world famous DJ's looking down on you and fireworks on the roof, but certain elements need to remain a surprise. Once inside, it is surprisingly spacious, and you are immediately embraced by a cozy club atmosphere, a hypermodern lightshow, and popular beats. There is so much more to say about this place, however, some things should stay a secret and hidden. You can always find out and experi-



ence it yourself. Just as they say: once you're in, you're in!

HIDDEN is open as of 8pm from Wednesday through Sunday. There is no cover charge, the dress code is

casual chic, the minimum age for entry is 21 years and the door policies are strict. When looking for a good time in Palm Beach, HIDDEN is absolutely the place to be... if you can find it. It is hidden after all. □

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## Aruba Tourism Authority honored loyal visitors at Divi All Inclusive Resort



The Aruba Tourism Authority recently recognized the Emerald Ambassadors of Aruba; by presenting the Ambassadors with the Emerald certificate as a token of appreciation for visiting the island for more than 35 years consecutively.

Honorees were: **James & Linda Cunningham** residents of Massachusetts, US.

During the ceremony Ms. Olga Ruiz representing the Aruba Tourism Authority (A.T.A), and members of the Divi All Inclusive Resort bestowed the certification of

the Ambassadors, and presented the Ambassadors with gifts, and thanked them on behalf of the Government of Aruba for choosing Aruba as their favorite vacation destination for so many years. Aruba can now be considered by the Honorees, their Home Away from Home!

Top reason for returning to Aruba, provided by the honorees were:

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Aruba's Sun and Beautiful Sand □



## Sinterklaas coming to Aruba with colorful Piet

ORANJESTAD – On December 5th, Dutch people celebrate Sinterklaas, a festivity where children receive sweets and small toys if they leave their shoes out with grass for Sinterklaas' white horse. Before that, Sinterklaas arrives in Aruba and with his "Piets", and this year, they will arrive on the 13th of November.

Sinterklaas is represented by a man dressed in red attire with white hair and a white beard, he is representing Saint Nicolas, a bishop from the 4th century who lived in what is now Turkey. From the 11th century, the stories about his miracles became known in Western Europe, and he became a patron saint for children.

The feast of Sinterklaas has been celebrated for at least 700 years in the Netherlands. The story of his companions, Zwarte Piet – "Black Pete" – came from a book by Jan Schenkman written in 1850, but the commercialization of the day began in the 1930s. Traditionally, children received the present in their shoe on the 6th of December, the official day of Saint Nicholas in the Catholic calendar, but the celebration gradually shifted to the 5th of December, known as "pakjesavond".

The first arrival of Sinterklaas – intocht van Sinterklaas – according to the Meertens Institute – took place in Zwolle in 1873, when wealthy farmers had someone dress up as Sinterklaas to hand out sweets to poor children. Since 1952, the arrival of Sinterklaas is televised, with Sinterklaas arriving traditionally in a steam boat with his Piets from Spain – although he has been known to arrive by train, plain or hot air balloon). Every year, a new place of arrival is chosen, but Sinterklaas always arrives on a Saturday, and at least three weeks before December 5th.

### Sinterklaas vs. Santa Claus

It is said that Sinterklaas



was the precursor of Santa Claus. Historians believe that Dutch and German settlers took the tradition with them to America. There, his Catholic garb was gradually transformed into the jolly non-sectarian red suit with the white fur trim we are all so familiar with. Additionally, his lithe frame gave way to a well-padded potbelly, and his trusty white steed was traded in for a troupe of reindeer. Either way, both Sinterklaas and Santa Claus stand for the generosity of spirit and kindness to children.

Sinterklaas will be arriving in Aruba on the 13th of November, although his Piets look a little different nowadays.

President of the Commission for the Celebration of National Holidays, Lyonel Dirks explained that for two years, the arrival of Sinterklaas was not an event for children to attend because of the Covid-19 pandemic. This year, Sinterklaas will arrive at 10am at Aruba Ports Authority, from where he will board Harbour Arena, and continue with a parade as became customary the last few years.

Dirks said that this year the parade will be a little shorter, as requested by the groups that have been participating for many years, and so the parade will end at Plaza Padu.

"This is the centre where the celebration will continue as Sinterklaas and his



Piets arrive in Aruba. There will be activities with different dance groups, shows, and when Sinterklaas arrives around 12 or 1pm, the celebration will continue until 2pm", he said.

### Colorful Piet

Sinterklaas is assisted by many mischievous helpers with that traditionally wore black faces and colorful Moorish dresses. These companions are called Zwarte Piet ("Black Pete"). Zwarte Piet first appeared in print as the nameless servant of Saint Nicholas in *Sint-Nikolaas en zijn knecht* ("St. Nicholas and His Servant/Apprentice"), published in 1850 by Amsterdam schoolteacher Jan Schenkman; however, the tradition appears to date back at least as far as the early 19th Century.

Zwarte Piet's colorful dress is

based on 16th-century noble attire, with a ruff (lace collar) and a feathered cap. He is typically depicted carrying a bag which contains candy for the children. The Zwarte Pietsen toss their candy around, a tradition supposedly originating in the story of Saint Nicholas saving three young girls from prostitution by tossing golden coins through their window at night to pay their dowries.

Something that was previously announced is that this year the Piets will be colorful instead of black. Edselyn Figaroa also prepared a book that will be published soon, called *Piet Academy*, which will tell the story or why the Piets will have colorful faces this year.

Minister of Culture and Finance, Xiomara Maduro explained that there was

controversy regarding the color of the Piets. This is a Dutch tradition, but some people consider that it includes discrimination with Zwarte Piet painting their entire face black, with big lips and gold rings – to many, this represents slavery and discrimination.

"The movement came not only from the Netherlands but also the world and the United Nations. In Aruba we know also that children from a young age are teased by being called Zwarte Piet, and they feel discriminated against. This is why, seeing everything that is going on, two years ago we decided that the arrival of Sinterklaas, which receives public funding, cannot be something that brings discrimination. This is why we decided to come up with colorful Piets", Maduro pointed out. □



# CROSSWORD

By THOMAS JOSEPH

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Saturday's answer

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One letter stands for another. In this sample, A is used for the three L's, X for the two O's, etc. Single letters, apostrophes, the length and formation of the words are all hints. Each day the code letters are different.

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## CRYPTOQUOTE

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Saturday's Cryptoquote: THERE'S ONLY ONE THING I HATE MORE THAN LYING: SKIM MILK. WHICH IS WATER THAT'S LYING ABOUT BEING MILK. RON SWANSON, "PARKS AND RECREATION"

# Musk's past tweets reveal clues about Twitter's new owner



(AP) — He may be good with rockets and electric cars, but don't turn to Elon Musk for public health predictions.

"Probably close to zero new cases in US too by end of April," the world's richest man tweeted about COVID-19 in March 2020, just as the pandemic was ramping up.

It's one of many tweets that offer a glimpse into the mind of Twitter's new owner and moderator in chief. Playful, aggressive and sometimes reckless, Musk's past tweets show how he has used social media to tout his businesses, punch back at critics and burnish his brand as a brash billionaire who is unafraid to speak his mind.

Musk joined Twitter in 2009 and now has more than 112 million followers — the third most of any account after former president Barack Obama and Canadian singer Justin Bieber. He had long mused about purchasing the platform before the \$ 44 billion deal was finalized last week.

Musk hasn't detailed the changes he intends to make at Twitter, though he wasted no time in making widespread layoffs. But he has said he wants to make Twitter a haven

for free speech. He's said he disagrees with the platform's decision to ban ex-President Donald Trump for inciting violence ahead of the Jan. 6, 2021 assault on the U.S. Capitol.

As the CEO of Tesla and SpaceX, Musk uses his Twitter account to make business announcements and promote his enterprises. He muses about technology and trade, but has also posted jokes about women's breasts and once compared Canada's prime minister to Hitler. He regularly weighs in on global events, as he did in March 2020 when he tweeted that "The coronavirus pandemic is dumb."

That same month, he tweeted that children were largely immune from the virus and predicted that cases would soon disappear. Musk has also used his Twitter account to weigh in on other big news events — with mixed results.

This fall, Musk infuriated leaders in Ukraine when he went on Twitter to float a potential peace deal. Under Musk's plan, Russia would get to keep Crimea, which it seized from Ukraine in 2014, and Ukraine would have to drop its plans to join NATO.

Musk also suggested that

people living in other areas illegally annexed by Russia should vote on whether Russia or Ukraine should get control over the territories — a move that Ukraine supporters said would reward Russia for its illegal aggression.

Just days after purchasing Twitter Musk waded into yet another firestorm when he posted a link to an article advancing a bizarre conspiracy theory about the attack on the husband of U.S. Speaker Nancy Pelosi. The article suggested that Paul Pelosi and his assailant were lovers, even though authorities said the suspect confessed to targeting the speaker and did not know her husband.

Musk later deleted the tweet without explanation. Musk has long used the megaphone of his Twitter account to punch back at critics or people he opposes, such as when he attacked a diver working to rescue boys trapped in a cave in Thailand by calling him a "pedo," short for pedophile. The diver had previously mocked Musk's proposal to use a sub to rescue the boys. Musk, who won a defamation suit filed by the diver, later said he never intended "pedo" to be interpreted as "pedophile."

Earlier this year he criticized the Twitter executive in charge of the platform's legal, policy and trust divisions. In response to his tweets about the executive, many of Musk's followers piled on with misogynistic and racist attacks, in addition to calls for Musk to fire her when his purchase of Twitter was approved. Musk fired the executive on day one.

Musk's use of Twitter has at times led to problems for his own companies. In one August 2018 tweet, for instance, Musk asserted that he had the funding to take Tesla private for \$420 a share, although a court has ruled that it wasn't true. That led to an SEC investigation that Musk is still fighting. □

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## UK to declare bank holiday May 8 to honor King Charles III

(AP) — The United Kingdom will have another reason to celebrate the coronation of King Charles III, for the government has declared a special public holiday to mark the occasion. The holiday will be on Monday, May 8, capping a three-day weekend that will begin with the coronation. The coronation of Charles' late mother, Queen Elizabeth II, was also marked with what is known as a bank holiday in Britain. "The coronation of a new monarch is a unique moment for our country. In recognition of this historic occasion, I am pleased to announce an additional bank holiday for the whole United Kingdom next year,"

new Prime Minister Rishi Sunak said. "I look forward to seeing people come together to celebrate and pay tribute to King Charles III by taking part in local and national events across the country in his honor." Charles will be crowned on May 6 at Westminster Abbey in London. His ceremony will be designed to preserve the historical traditions of the monarchy while looking to the future following the late queen's 70-year reign. The coronation is expected to be shorter and less extravagant than the three-hour ceremony that installed Elizabeth in 1953, in keeping with Charles' plans for a slimmed-down monarchy. The



Britain's King Charles III meets members of the Westend Gospel Choir. (Isabel Infantes/Pool via AP, File)

coronation holiday means May will have three long weekends next year, with traditional bank holidays already scheduled for May 1 and May 29. □

## Singer-rapper Aaron Carter dies in California at age 34

(AP) — Aaron Carter, the singer-rapper who began performing as a child and had hit albums starting in his teen years, was found dead Saturday at his home in Southern California. He was 34. Representatives for Carter's family confirmed the singer's death. His fiancée, Melanie Martin, asked for privacy as the family grieves. "We are still in the process of accepting this unfortunate reality," Martin said in a statement Saturday. "Your thoughts and prayers are greatly appreciated." Carter, the younger brother of Nick Carter of the Backstreet Boys, performed as an opening act for Britney Spears as well as his brother's boy band, and recorded several hits including "Aaron's Party (Come Get

It)" and "I Want Candy." Deputies responded around 11 a.m. following reports of a medical emergency at the home in Lancaster, a desert city about 70 miles (112 kilometers) north of downtown Los Angeles, said Deputy Alejandra Parra with the LA County Sheriff's Department. Parra said the deputies found a deceased person at the residence, but she could not immediately confirm it was Carter. Authorities later said a house sitter found a man in the bathtub in the home and resuscitation efforts were unsuccessful. Carter opened for the Backstreet Boys tour in 1997 — the same year his gold-selling debut self-titled album released. He

reached triple-platinum status with his sophomore album, 2000's "Aaron's Party (Come Get It)," which produced hit singles including the title song and "I Want Candy." His videos received regular airplay on Disney and Nickelodeon. The singer earned acting credits through his appearance on television shows including "Lizzie McGuire." He starred alongside his brother, Nick, and their siblings B.J., Leslie and Angel Carter on the E! unscripted series "House of Carters" in 2006. □



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Gemma Dryburgh of Scotland kisses the trophy after winning the LPGA Tour's Toto Japan Classic at the Seta Golf Club in Shiga, Japan, Sunday, Nov. 6, 2022.

Associated Press

## Gemma Dryburgh wins first LPGA title with victory in Japan

**SHIGA, Japan (AP)** —

Gemma Dryburgh of Scotland won her first LPGA Tour title with a final-round 7-under 65 on Sunday to take the Toto Classic by four shots ahead of Japan's Kana Nagai. Nagai also closed with a 65. Linn Grant was a third, five shots off the pace after a 67.

Dryburgh, who also carded a 65 in the third round, finished 20-under 268 at the Seta Golf Club in western Japan. Japanese Momoko Ueda, who led after the second and third rounds, finished eight shots behind after a 74. Ueda had won the event twice. Dryburgh started the final round a shot behind Ueda and made the first of her seven birdies at No. 4 with a 20-foot putt. She added another at No. 7 and took the lead at the turn when Ueda bogeyed No. 9. At No. 11, Ueda made a double bogey while Dryburgh notched another birdie.

The 29-year-old Dryburgh finished with four birdies in her last six holes, including at the 18th, for a bogey-free day. Dryburgh had a premonition about win-

ning this week, and it happened.

"I was in Korea last week with friends and I said to them: 'I'll mention you in my speech'," she said. "Just as a joke. It's overwhelming to be honest. This is a dream of mine for a long time."

Dryburgh, who played golf at Tulane University in New Orleans — she's still a serious Manchester United soccer fan — said she was relaxed despite the pressure.

"I was nervous. I'm not going to lie," she said. "But I was incredibly calm to be honest and kind of focused on my breathing."

Dryburgh is the first Scot to win on the LPGA tour since Catriona Matthew in 2011 at the Lorena Ochoa Invitational.

Atthaya Thitikul, the 19-year-old from Thailand who has climbed to No. 1 in the LPGA rankings, finished with a 67 and was 10 shots back of Dryburgh.

She was asked what she does next.

"There's a lot of work to do," she said. "I think I am still working and getting better, improving." □

## Astros' Peña 1st rookie hitter to win World Series MVP



Houston Astros shortstop Jeremy Peña celebrates with the trophy after their 4-1 World Series win against the Philadelphia Phillies in Game 6 on Saturday, Nov. 5, 2022, in Houston.

Associated press

By **RONALD BLUM AP Baseball Writer**

**HOUSTON (AP)** — Jeremy Peña's key to success was keeping his head dry.

Capping a freshman season like no other, he became the first rookie position player to win a World Series MVP award Saturday night after hitting .400 in the Houston Astros' six-game victory over the Philadelphia Phillies.

"The hardest part was just blocking everything that's not part of the game," Peña said. "There's a saying that you can't sink a ship with water around. It sinks if water gets inside. So I just try to stay strong and keep the water outside my head."

Peña also won a Gold Glove and was the AL Championship Series MVP. The 25-year-old shortstop became the first hitter to win those three prizes in a career, according to OptaSTATS — and he did it all in his rookie season.

"It has a lot to do with my family, my upbringing," he said.

Peña praised Dusty Baker, the Astros' 73-year-old manager. When Baker made his major league managerial debut for San Francisco on April 6, 1993, the leadoff hitter for the other team was Peña's father, St. Louis Cardinals second baseman Gerónimo Peña.

Peña singled to chase Phillies starter Zack Wheeler in Game 6, giving the Astros two baserunners for the first time. Yordan Alvarez followed with a go-ahead, three-run homer that sent Houston to a 4-1 victory.

Peña finished the postseason with a .345 batting average, four homers, eight RBIs and a 1.005 OPS. He also became the first rookie shortstop to win a Gold Glove, as well as the first to homer in the World Series. Just 24 when he was handed the starting job at the beginning of the season after Carlos Correa left as a free agent, Peña became the third rookie at any position to earn World Series MVP, joining a pair of right-handed pitchers: the Los Angeles Dodgers' Larry Sherry in 1959 and Miami's Liván Hernández in 1997.

Peña's 18th-inning homer completed a Division Series sweep at Seattle and he hit a go-ahead drive off Noah Syndergaard in Game 5 of the World Series. His Game 2 jersey is headed to the Hall of Fame.

"You have to make tough decisions in this job, and Jeremy's making it look like it was an easy decision, and it wasn't," Houston general manager James Click said. "Carlos is a great player, and he's been a huge part of this franchise. But to do what Jeremy did, to step in and elevate his game in the playoffs, it just speaks to his hard work, his character and the talent that he has. There's not that many special guys on the planet that can do what he just did."

Peña became the ninth player to win MVP of a League Championship Series and the World Series in the same season. He batted .353 with two homers and four RBIs against the Yankees in the ALCS.

The only other player to win an LCS MVP award, World Series MVP and a Gold Glove during their career was pitcher Orel Hershiser, who took all three prizes with the Dodgers in 1988.

Peña hit .291 with 22 homers and 63 RBIs during the regular season and likely will finish high in AL Rookie of the Year voting. Seattle outfielder Julio Rodríguez is the favorite.

Others to win LCS and World Series MVP in one year were Pittsburgh's Willie Stargell (1979), St. Louis' Darrell Porter (1982), Hershiser (1988), Hernández (2003), Philadelphia's Cole Hamels (2008), the Cardinals' David Freese (2011), San Francisco's Madison Bumgarner (2014) and the Dodgers' Corey Seager (2020).

Only four other rookies were LCS MVPs: Baltimore right-hander Mike Boddicker in 1983, Hernández in 1997, St. Louis right-hander Michael Wacha in 2013 and Tampa Bay outfielder Randy Arozarena in 2020.

Peña thought back to last year's Game 6 loss to Atlanta at Minute Maid Park, where he joined the Astros but was inactive. □



# Chebet and Lokedi of Kenya win NYC Marathon races in debuts

By DOUG FEINBERG

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NEW YORK (AP) —

Evans Chebet of Kenya won the New York City Marathon men's race and Sharon Lokedi of Kenya won the women's race Sunday, both of them making a splash in their debuts.

Daniel Do Nascimento, who had been leading the entire men's race, collapsed 21 miles in. Chebet finished in 2 hours, 8 minutes and 41 seconds, which was 13 seconds ahead of second-place finisher Shura Kitata of Ethiopia.

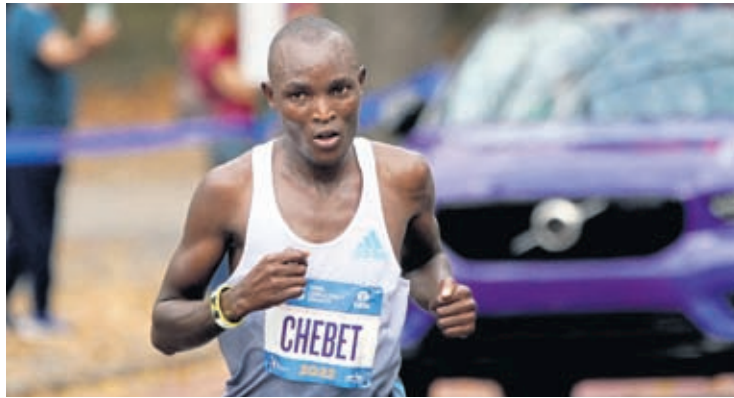
Do Nascimento got out to a fast start on a unseasonably warm day and led by nearly 2 minutes for most of the race. The Brazilian collapsed at Mile 21, right before he got back into Manhattan, and was attended to by medical professionals. A few miles earlier, he had taken a quick 20-second bathroom break.

Chebet, 33, pulled away from the pack chasing Do Nascimento as they headed over the bridge into Manhattan for the first time. After Do Nascimento's collapse, Chebet took the lead and never was threatened the rest of the way. Chebet won the Boston Marathon earlier this year.

It was Lokedi's first-ever marathon and she finished in 2 hours, 23 minutes and 23 seconds — just ahead of Lonah Chemtai Salpeter of Israel. The 28-year-old Lokedi was in a tight race before she pulled ahead of Chemtai Salpeter in the final two miles to win by seven seconds and finish about 50 seconds off the course record.

An hour earlier, the men's and women's wheelchair races ended with course records being broken.

Marcel Hug of Switzerland was victorious in the men's wheelchair race for the fifth time, tying Kurt Fearnley for most-ever victories in that event. Hug finished the 26.2-mile course that goes through all five boroughs of New York in 1 hour, 25 minutes and 26 seconds to break the previous mark of 1:29:22 set by Fearnley of



Evans Chebet, of Kenya, leads the men's elite division runners as they pass through the Bronx borough of New York during the New York City Marathon, Sunday, Nov. 6, 2022.

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Australia in 2006. Hug, who also won the race last year, earned \$50,000 for besting the course record. He crossed the finish line more than 2 minutes ahead of second-place finisher Daniel Romanchuk of Illinois. Susannah Scaroni also broke the course record in the

women's wheelchair race, finishing in 1:42:43. That was 21 seconds better than the old mark, which was held by Tatyana McFadden. Scaroni, a 31-year-old from Illinois, pulled away from the field early and also earned the bonus money for topping the course re-



Sharon Lokedi, of Kenya, crosses the finish line first in the women's division of the New York City Marathon, Sunday, Nov. 6, 2022, in New York.

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cord. She beat runner-up Manuela Schar of Switzerland by 2 1/2 minutes, and last year's winner, Madison de Rozario of Australia, finished third.

Scaroni won the Chicago Marathon last month and was victorious for the first time in New York after fin-

ishing third in 2019.

The 36-year-old Hug, nicknamed the "The Silver Bullet," has been on quite a streak, winning four gold medals at the Tokyo Paralympics last year as well as the Tokyo, Berlin, London and Chicago Marathons in 2022. □

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